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In re Application of: )  
Eric A Nyberg, et al. ) Art Unit: 1742  
Serial No: 10/796,424 ) Examiner Ngoclan Thi Mai  
For: FEEDSTOCK COMPOSITION AND ) Confirmation No: 1883  
METHOD OF USING SAME FOR )  
POWDER METALLURGY FORMING OF ) Our Ref. No: 14185-B  
REACTIVE METALS ) Date: June 23, 2006

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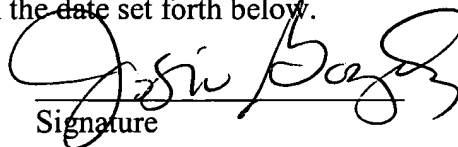
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		Application Number	10/796,424	
		Filing Date	03/08/2004	
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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
50	25
200	100
360	180

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims 151 Extra Claims Fee (\$)  
40 - 20 or HP = 0 x 0 = 0 Fee Paid (\$)

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AMENDMENT

This responds to the Office Action dated April 4, 2006 for the above-referenced application. Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 18.